NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION Meeting Minutes May 13, 2008

Pursuant to the notice filed with the Town Clerk, the meeting of the Natural Resources Commission was held at 141 Keyes Road, Concord, MA at 4:06 p.m. on Tuesday, May 13, 2008. The following Commissioners were present: Alexander Easterday, Chair, Steve Verrill and George Lewis. Katie Holden, Natural Resources Assistant Administrator, and Cynthia L. Gray, Natural Resources Administrative Assistant, were also present.

CONTINUANCES

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION - 90B Walden Street / **NOI, DEP File #137-968.** The proposed project involves rehabilitating a portion of an existing trail adjacent to the railroad embankment in the 100-foot Buffer Zone to Bank and Bordering Vegetated Wetland, **DEP File #137-968.**

Denise Morrissey, Park Supervisor of Walden Pond State Reservation appeared with Peter Hoffman, Assistant Supervisor of Walden Pond State Reservation. Water bars will be replaced on one of the trails leading down to the perimeter path around the pond on its western bank Approximately 200 feet of the perimeter path on the west bank will be rehabilitated. A five-foot silt boom will be installed to prevent erosion into the pond during construction. Native plants will be planted to replace invasives removed during construction. Denise Morrissey stated these improvements should last and prevent erosion for quite a while.

CLOSE HEARINGS/ISSUE PERMITS

DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION - 90B Walden Street / **NOI, DEP File #137-968.** George Lewis moved to close the hearing. Steve Verrill seconded. All so voted. George Lewis moved to issue a standard Order of Conditions with Special Conditions 19-46. Steve Verrill seconded. All so voted.

REQUEST TO AMEND

CNC BUILDERS, INC. (Farnsworth) – 35 Macone Farm Lane, DEP File #137-821. Curt Farnsworth of CNC Builders, Inc. appeared. The Commission discussed the amendment consisting of extending a small concrete block retaining wall and related grading. The Commission verified that the area below the wall will be kept in a natural condition. Katie Holden stated she had mentioned this to the potential future property owner and he had agreed this was fine. The applicant intends to submit a partial Request for Certificate of Compliance in time to be heard at the May 21, 2008 hearing.

This hearing was continued to May 21, 2008 at which time the Commission expects to close the hearing and issue the Amended Order of Conditions with an on-going special condition clarifying the new no disturb zone below the wall.

DUPLICATE ORDERS OF CONDITIONS

DESIGN & BUILD ASSOCIATES – 381 Thoreau Street, DEP File #137-957 MIDON – 33 Spencer Brook Road, DEP File #137-551

OTHER BUSINESS

Emergency Certification – Cambridge Turnpike

Steve Verrill moved to ratify the Emergency Certification. George Lewis seconded. All so voted.

Wetland Bylaw Update

Alexander Easterday will present the second of four Community Outreach Meetings on May 14, 2008 at the Town House.

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Holden, Natural Resources Assistant Administrator

Cynthia L. Gray, Natural Resources Administrative Assistant